

**St. Mary's County Emergency Services Board
Wednesday, February 8, 2023**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present

Shawn Davidson, County Rescue Chief
JA Nelson, President of St. Mary's Fire Association
Kiersten Shea, Deputy Director of Emergency Services
C P Miedzinski, County Fire Chief
Ken Hicks, Rescue Squad Association
Hattie Norris, Vice-Chairperson of the ESB
Gary Bell, Chair of the ESB
Jason Finkelstein, Jurisdictional Medical Director

A. Review & Approve Minutes

I move to accept the minutes from the Dec 14, 2022, meeting as presented.

Motion by Shawn Davidson, second by Ken Hicks.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Kiersten Shea

Not Present at Vote: Gary Bell

3. PRESENTATION

A. Overview of the Department of Emergency Services FY24 Budget Request

Kiersten Shea gave an overview of the Department of Emergency Services budget request for FY24.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. LOSAP Update

Kiersten Shea gave an update on LOSAP. The LOSAP Board is meeting on Feb 24th 2023. They will be requesting permission to contact Bolton to review the latest numbers for compensation.

B. Cadet Program

I move that the chair draft a letter of support to allow the Fire and EMS cadet program more flexibility in scheduling and forward to the Commissioners, the Board of Education, and the Maryland Department of Education.

Motion by Shawn Davidson, second by Ken Hicks.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Gary Bell, Kiersten Shea

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Emergency Services Report

Kiersten Shea gave an update on Emergency Services and the personnel changes that have taken place with the shifted responsibilities for the affected positions. Gerald Gardiner introduced and welcomed Dr. Jason Finkelstein as the new Jurisdictional Medical Director.

B. Annual Report

I move to approve the 2022 Annual Report for the Emergency Services Board as presented.

Motion by Ken Hicks, second by C P Miedzinski.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Gary Bell, Kiersten Shea

C. Election of Officers for 2023

Motion 1: I move to accept the nomination of Chairperson for Emergency Services Board for Gary Bell.

Motion by Shawn Davidson, second by JA Nelson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Gary Bell, Kiersten Shea

Motion 2: I move to accept the nomination of Vice-Chairperson for Emergency Services Board, for Hattie Norris.

Motion by JA Nelson, second by C P Miedzinski.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Gary Bell, Kiersten Shea

Motion 3: I move to accept the nomination of Secretary for Emergency Services Board, for Shawn Davidson.

Motion by Hattie Norris, second by C P Miedzinski.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Gary Bell, Kiersten Shea

D. By-Law Change

I move to accept the by-law change giving the Director of Emergency Services a proxy and forward to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.

Motion by Shawn Davidson, second by JA Nelson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Gary Bell, Kiersten Shea

E. 508 AMOSS Funding

Kiersten Shea gave an update on the 508 AMOSS Funding and went over the information that was provided to the Maryland Military Department, Office of Finance & Administration.

F. Loan Request - Hollywood Volunteer Rescue Squad

I move to make a recommendation on moving forward with the Hollywood Volunteer Rescue Squads loan request as discussed in this meeting.

Motion by C P Miedzinski, second by Ken Hicks.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Gary Bell, Kiersten Shea

7. BOARD MEMBER

- JA Nelson shared that the Fire Association will continue to support FRAD this year and support their suggestion to move the event to the Fair Grounds.
- C P Miedzinski asked that sometime in the future, that the board look at the 5-million-dollar cap for loans and the 1-million-dollar per station. Due to inflation, he is concerned that those amounts may not be enough.
- Shawn Davidson welcomed Dr. Jason Finkelstein as the new Jurisdictional Medical Director and is looking forward to working with him.
- Dr. Jason Finkelstein introduced himself and added that he was looking forward to working with everyone.
- Kiersten Shea commented on how the Department of Emergency Services is looking forward to improving their relationship with all their partners.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments

9. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn

I move to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by C P Miedzinski, second by JA Nelson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, JA Nelson, C P Miedzinski, Ken Hicks, Hattie Norris, Gary Bell,
Kiersten Shea

Darlene Mund, Recorder

Minutes approved by the St. Mary's County Emergency Services Board on April 12, 2023.